

May insure.

SEC. 9. That this association may insure against loss or damage by fire, lightning or any other insurance whatsoever that the board may deem proper, including life and accidental insurance. This association is hereby vested with all powers that any insurance company heretofore incorporated in this State now has to transact business in this or any other State, and they may charge and receive such premiums as may be agreed upon by this association and the parties insured.

Rates.

SEC. 10. That the rate of insurance shall be from time to time fixed and regulated by the general board of directors of this association, and that premium or deposit notes may be received by the directors from the assured, which shall be paid at such time or times and in such sum or sums as may in the by-laws be required; and in any person applying for insurance, if he shall so desire, may pay a definite sum of money in full for insurance in lieu of a premium note, but no member shall be bound to pay in the whole more than the amount of his premium note and cash premium.

Liability.

SEC. 11. That every member of the mutual department of said association shall be bound to pay for all losses and necessary expenses in and to said association in proportion to the amount of his deposit note, and suits of law may be instituted by this association against any of its members for the collection of said deposit notes, or any assessments on said notes, or for any other cause relating to the business of the association.

Deposit.

SEC. 12. That for the better security of the policy holders the said association shall deposit with the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina five per cent. of all moneys received for premiums until the said sum on deposit shall reach the sum of twenty thousand dollars. That said deposits may be made in United States securities or bonds secured by mortgage upon real estate in this State, which shall be held in trust by him for the benefit of the policy-holders of said association; and in case any policy holder shall be unable to collect of said association any loss which he may have met with while hold-